

ABSTRACT

[069] A method and system for storing metadata related to Web service entities is disclosed. The method according to a preferred embodiment comprises browsing a Web service and storing metadata relating to an entity of the Web service as a binding description in a format for assisting in an inspection of a site for available services. Preferably, the Web Services Inspection Language, or other format for assisting in the inspection of a site for available services, may be used as a format for storing metadata related to Web service-related entities. Because WSIL is XML-based, the documents that store the metadata are human readable, platform independent and conform to an open standard.